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APPLICANTS' COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's Statement of the Reasons for Allowance attached to the Notice of Allowability dated August 12, 2004 and submit that the allowed claims recite subject matter which further supports patentability for reasons in addition to those identified in the Reasons for Allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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COMMUNICATION FORWARDING CORRECTED FORMAL DRAWINGS

Applicants submit herewith Figs. 71-73 in connection with the above-identified application. The enclosed formal drawings are submitted in response to the Notice of Allowability dated August 12, 2004, in which the Examiner required Applicants to submit a new set of corrected drawings for Figs. 71-73 with character of lines, numbers and letters being legible. A response to the August 12, 2004 Notice of Allowability is due November 12, 2004. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Communication. However, if any fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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